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CANADIANS BATTLE THEIR WAY THROUGH STREETS OF LENS

Prince Rupprecht's Army Runs For Cover After 15-Minute Battle

STORM BUFFETS MAKURA

Big Union Liner Flounders
About for Three Days in
Fight With Terrific Gale,
Which Extinguished Her
Fires and Nearly Swamped
Vessel

FOUNDERING helplessly for 12 hours in an 80-mile gale, dangerously near the New Zealand coast and with her engines useless because of rushing waves had extinguished the fires in her engine room, the Union liner Makura was nearly wrecked the first day out from Auckland on this voyage.

Such is the report of the passengers given today when the Makura reached Honolulu, all of whom declared that throughout the night of the terrific storm they believed the vessel was doomed, when wave after wave washed over the decks of the ship, flooding the holds, cabins and engine rooms.

For nearly three days the vessel floated at the mercy of the sea, while valiant efforts were made by the engine crew to repair the engines and get the ship under control again. Mercifully, when daylight came, after the night of the big storm, the wind had blown itself out, but it was two days more before the passengers regained their confidence.

Male testimony of the force of the storm is shown today on the captain's deck where the planking of the surrounding structure was stove in by the waves, which went over the vessel at its highest point, all of 40 feet above the main deck. Where the planking had been crushed in or carried away by the waves, new boards have been placed, the splashes of new paint showing the spots where repairs had been made.

During the height of the storm, the waves tore loose the forward hatch covering and the hold where the passenger trunks were stored was flooded. Further aft a 30-foot wave broke upon the main deck and sent the passengers into the cabins of the passenger. Another came overboard about mid-

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ROSS ARRIVES TO COMPETE IN SWIM MEET

World's Champ Expects to Set
New Records Here in Sep-
tember Competition

NORMAN ROSS of Portland, Ore., world's champion swimmer and holder of scores of records, arrived in Honolulu this morning ready for competition in the big swimming meet which will be held on the harbor in September.

Ross, who is known as the "Big Moose" and "Human Tuna" is considered by many critics on the mainland to be the greatest swimmer the world has ever seen. His records from the 150 yard mark to the mile are enough to stamp the big natator as one of the real aquatic kings of the age.

Ross has many records to his credit, but most of these have been for distances over 200 yards. He holds the world's record for the 100 meters, but can hardly be classed with Duke Kahanamoku as a sprint swimmer. Ross is anxious to establish new records for the 100 yards, and has already made time around 55 for this distance.

All in all Ross is best in the distance events. He proved to be a real worker, when he captured the Golden Gate swim from a field of distance swimmers. He set a new mark in the 220, 440 and 500 all in one season, and at present lays claim to twenty-three records.

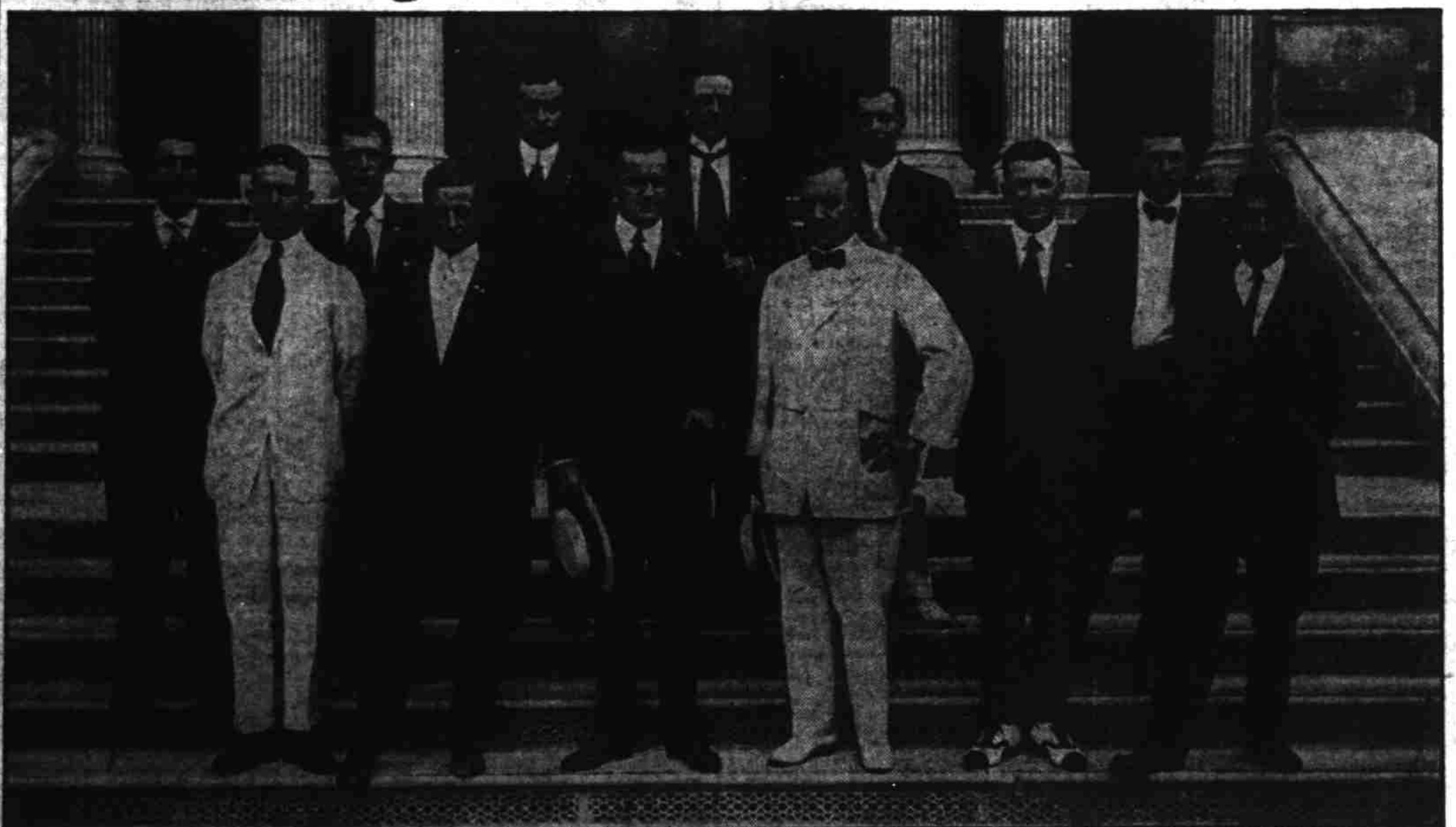
Ross said this morning that he was confident that he would be in good condition to go after new records in the big September meet. He is expected to star in the long distance events against Ludy Langer and also in the back stroke, opposed to "Stubby" Kruger. Ross at present holds the record for the 50 yard back-stroke.

Of particular interest at this time is the statement made by Ross this morning. He said that W. T. Rawlins, president of the A. A. U., who was sent to the mainland to secure star swimmers for the big event, never asked him to compete. He said that he was never invited to come here by the A. A. U. Furthermore the ex-

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Britons of Hawaii Heed Their Country's Call

First Contingent Is Off For Service At Front



Left to right they are: G. Kemper, J. H. R. Bryant, G. A. Murphy, W. Brown, G. B. Marshall, A. J. Marshall, E. Farrer, H. McDougall, E. Jones, F. H. Pearson, A. A. Webster, M. C. King.

NEARNESS of the war with Germany was brought forcibly home to Honoluluans this afternoon as they witnessed the farewell given to the British recruits, by the British Club members and their friends and families at the sailing of the Makura for Vancouver.

Smiles and flowers are the tokens usually most in evidence at the sailing of ships from Honolulu, but at the departure of the Makura tears and strained countenances were significant that many of the friends of the British recruits feared they were bid-

ding them good-bye forever, for no life is lasting in the trenches of Flanders and France.

Withal, it was perhaps this pick of Britain's young manhood in Hawaii—the first local Britishers to answer the call, "Britons, Your Country Calls You"—that withstood the ordeal of the parting with greater composure than those who remained, some of whom will follow these leaders to the front in other Hawaii contingents.

To the recruits, called to the defense of the flag under which they or

their fathers were born, a chance to fight for the Union Jack was an opportunity to experience the "Great Adventure," for which the youth of all lands hunger.

After reaching Vancouver the members of this first Hawaii contingent will enter the branches of the British military service to which they think themselves best adapted or trained. Some will receive commissions, others will enter aviation training camps and the balance will enlist in artillery and infantry divisions.

Among the the Britishers leaving today are nearly all the nationalities of the British government. Four by birth are Americans, but recognized as British subjects because their fathers have never renounced their allegiance to Great Britain.

The recruiting of the men has been carried on under the supervision of British Consul E. L. Gordon, aided by the work of the British club members. Another contingent will be ready to sail on the next Union liner bound for Vancouver which touches at this port.

POLICE OPEN INQUEST INTO NURSE'S DEATH

Dr. Cooper Tells Coroner's
Jury Girl's Life Could Have
Been Saved Had She Gone
to Hospital as Advised

The inquest into the death of Miss Florence Berg, former nurse at the Queen's hospital, who died on July 31 following a criminal operation, began this afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock when Dr. C. B. Cooper was called to tell to the coroner's jury his relation to the case.

That Miss Berg might have been saved had she heeded the advice of the doctors when they advised her to go to the hospital and that the instruments found in the room of Miss Berg could not have been used by the woman herself in the operation were the leading points made by Dr. Cooper.

Deputy City Attorney Crisley asked Dr. Cooper if he was a Mason and when the latter answered positively he asked him if Capt. John Ludy was a Mason. Dr. Cooper said he did not know. Upon being told he was a Mason, Dr. Cooper said that he had never met him as such.

The operation was not self-performed thought Dr. Cooper, the infection coming from interference by instruments which were used by some one else.

The instruments which were found in the room shortly after the discovery were brought before Dr. Cooper.

When Dr. Cooper was further questioned as to their use, he stated that he could not determine offhand whether the stains on them were blood or not, and, if they were, when they had been made. Concerning the use of the instruments he said:

"I don't care how expert she was, she could not have done it herself."

Dr. R. G. Ayer, police surgeon, who performed the autopsy on the body of Miss Berg shortly after her death, gave the report of his findings.

Dr. Ayer stated that the infection was probably carried by the instruments, but that there was not enough infection to cause the woman's death.

The transmission of blood might have saved Miss Berg's life had not the infection been present, declared Dr. Ayer.

Dr. A. K. Hanchett was called after Dr. Ayer.

LATE NEWS AT A GLANCE

JAPANESE TEACHER REFUSED RIGHT TO LAND HERE

Hatsume Tsutsumi, a Japanese teacher, now held in the local immigration station, has been denied the right to land in Honolulu by the authorities in Washington, according to her attorney, Wade Warren Thayer, Friday. Hatsume, therefore, will be deported to Japan, unless habeas corpus proceedings are instituted by her attorney for her release.

Hatsume, with the other women teachers, arrived from Japan some time ago, and after examination by the local immigration inspectors, she was refused landing by Inspector In Charge Richard L. Halsey, on the ground that her labor was contracted for.

CAPT. CRAWFORD SUCCEEDS COL. LINCOLN

Capt. L. C. Crawford, U. S. A., senior inspector instructor of the national guard of Hawaii, will succeed Col. Charles S. Lincoln in the militia affairs office at army headquarters, according to announcement from there this afternoon. Capt. Crawford will retain the office of inspector instructor.

BROWN WILL CONTEST HEARING AGAIN POSTPONED

Circuit Judge Ashford this afternoon granted another continuance of the hearing on the petition of Miss Irene Dickson to contest the last will of the late Cecil Brown. This time the hearing has been continued until next Tuesday afternoon. An attorney interested in the case said that no settlement had been reached.

RUNAWAY GIRL FOUND IN ROOMING HOUSE

Leaving behind a note in which she said she was going to the mountains where she would "live on mountain apples" and where "God would protect her from the wild beasts," a part Hawaiian girl, recently paroled from the girls' industrial school, ran away a few days ago from the home of the family that was employing her. This afternoon she was found in a local rooming house by Captain of Detectives Arthur McDuffie. She will be returned to the school for having violated her parole.

EIGHT RESERVE OFFICERS CALLED TO SERVICE

Eight members of the officers' reserve corps who have been in training at Schofield Barracks are attached to regiments in the Hawaiian department, according to orders announced this afternoon from army headquarters.

Major Charles W. C. Deering, 25th Infantry; Captain Ralph G. Hussey, 2d Infantry; Captain Peter Sorenson, 1st Infantry; Captain Gustave E. Schaefer, 1st Infantry; Captain Perry M. Smoot, 1st Infantry; Captain William E. House, 1st Infantry; First Lieutenant William J. Jackson, 2d Infantry; Captain Nelson H. Duval, Engineer Officers' Reserve Corps, is assigned to duty as assistant to the department engineer, and will proceed to this city and take station.

RUSS COMPLETE PLANS FOR WAR CONFERENCE

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

MOSCOW, Russia, Aug. 21.—Arrangements have been completed for a great national conference to be held in the state theater here on Saturday, it was announced today.

Premier Kerensky will preside at the congress, and will outline the situation in which Russia finds herself today.

ASK CONGRESS TO RUSH MONEY FOR SHIP WORK

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 21.—It was learned today that congress will be asked to rush the appropriation for the immediate expansion of shipbuilding facilities for the speedy construction of destroyers.

DEFENSE IN LIBEL SUIT SUSTAINED

Judge Heen Upholds Demurrer
of Advertiser in Governor's
Suit for Libel on Ground Ar-
ticle Was Merely Criticism

ON the ground that the writing complained of does not import defamation on its face; that it appears to be a criticism of a speech concerning a matter of public interest made by a public official, and that there is nothing charging that the criticism insinuates dishonorable motives on the part of the defendant, Circuit Judge William H. Heen today sustained the demurrer of Roderick O. Matheson, editor of the Advertiser, to sworn information charging him with criminal libel.

Judge Heen's ruling on the demurrer is virtually a dismissal of the case, although he has granted the city and county attorney's office 10 days in which to file an amended information or take other steps which it may deem necessary. What further action is contemplated by the city attorney's office could not be ascertained today, as A. M. Brown is on another island.

Editor Matheson was arrested on information sworn to by City Attorney Arthur M. Brown, attached to which was an affidavit by Detective Harry T. Lake, charging him with criminal libel. The basis of the information was an editorial published in The Advertiser under the heading "Under What Flag?" which was a criticism of an address made by Governor L. E. Pinkham before a number of school children in the palace grounds, the gathering having been arranged to interest the children in contributing to war relief.

A demurrer was filed by Editor Matheson, the principal contention in the document being that the editorial was merely a criticism of the utterances of a public official in public office.

"In the first place, I contend that the article was not libelous," said Attorney Lorin Andrews, counsel for Editor Matheson, today. "It was simply a criticism of a public official and his public utterances, which criticism is justified under the law. In my opinion the heading 'Under What Flag?' simply asked the question, 'What is the man talking about?'"

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BRITISH ADVANCING AT DOUBLE QUICK ENCOUNTER TEUTONS BENT ON ATTACK

As Opposing Forces Clash One of the Bloodiest Hand-to-Hand Battles of the War Ensues, the Colonials Smashing Germans Backward, Capturing Defensive Trenches in Onward Rush

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service.)

+ BRITISH FRONT IN FLANDERS, August 21.—Lens today is a + seething caldron of shot and shell. In terrific hand-to-hand fighting + the Canadians are battling their way through the streets of the city, + the German defenders fighting desperately to hold the invaders back. + The Canadians are slowly but surely working their way to the + heart of the city, clearing the streets and houses of the enemy, who + are suffering fearful losses. + The garrison has launched several desperate counter attacks, + but all to no avail, the ranks of the colonials holding firmly against + all onslaughts. +

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 21.—Leaping from their trenches at 4:30 in the morning and advancing at a double-quick through a thick haze that enveloped the whole section around Lens, the Canadians suddenly came into contact with great grey masses of the enemy, who had planned a counter attack at the same time on the positions they had lost to the intrepid Canadians.

Then ensued one of the most bloody and sanguinary hand-to-hand battles of the war, and the British Colonials again proved that the "shock" troops of Prince Rupprecht are no match for the stalwart sons of Canada.

Within fifteen minutes the Huns had made their last stand, and were fleeing for the cover of their trench parapets, but the Canadians were not to be stopped, and speedily ousted them from their temporary security, the Huns retreating rapidly, leaving the ground covered with dead and wounded, and many prisoners in the hands of the victorious Canadians.

British aviators are harassing the Teuton lines of communication, and yesterday dropped tons of bombs on positions far behind the advanced trenches of the Germans.

FRENCH FRONT IS NOW INVULNERABLE, NEWSPAPER OPINION

PARIS, France, Aug. 21.—The Figaro, in an article today summarizing the efforts of the belligerents on the west front, says that "experience has shown that it is a vain hope for Germany to pierce the front which is incessantly closed at Verdun and Flanders. It is not territory won that counts, but the losses inflicted on the enemy."

AUSTRIANS CONTINUE TO YIELD GROUND TO ITALIAN OFFENSIVE

ROME, Italy, Aug. 21.—Continuing their great drive along a wide front of 37 miles from Tolmino to the Adriatic sea, the Italian armies are taking many prisoners, already more than 10,000 captives having been sent to the rear.

The Austrian line is beginning to feel the effects of the terrific onslaught, which is supported by monitors carrying huge guns and heavy land batteries.

BRITISH DEATH LIST IN WEEK'S FIGHTING REACHES 2800 TOTAL

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 21.—The British war office today announced the British losses for the week in all theaters of the war as 325 officers and 2548 men killed and 846 officers and 10,524 men wounded and missing.

U. S. TO ANSWER PEACE OFFER THROUGH BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 21.—The United States' acknowledgment to Pope Benedict's peace proposals will be sent through British channels it was learned today.

BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 6, Chicago 0; Chicago 4, Philadelphia 2.
At Boston—St. Louis 1, Boston 0.
At New York—Cincinnati 7, New York 5.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 3, Pittsburgh 3.
AMERICAN LEAGUE
At Cleveland—Cleveland 16, Philadelphia 3.
At Detroit—New York 3, Detroit 1.
At Chicago—Chicago 2, Boston 0.
St. Louis—Rain.

SPAIN IN GRIP OF RIOTERS

Artillery is Brought to Bear on
Buildings Fortified By Strik-
ers; Newspapers Suppressed

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

FRENCH BORDER, August 21.—(By courier from Barcelona.)—Violent rioting has taken place in Barcelona and the surrounding neighborhood this week since a general strike has been called.

The workers have occupied the windows and roofs of houses in the city, and a number have been killed and wounded in the streets.

Artillery is being used against the buildings which had been fortified by the rioters.

Rumors, which, however, lack verification, say that Saragossa and Bilbao have proclaimed a republic.

All unofficial newspapers have been suppressed by the authorities and a state of great confusion is declared to exist all through the affected districts.

FRENCH TAKE 5000 CAPTIVE IN OFFENSIVE

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

PARIS, France, August 21.—Violent counter attacks were made by the Germans to the north of Verdun against the new positions held by Frenchmen, but the Germans were unable to make any headway, and sacrificed many men in their vain attempt. The French have consolidated the positions taken and in the attacks on Teuton positions yesterday captured more than 5000 prisoners.

Air battles have been frequent and yesterday 21 German battleplanes were sent hurtling to the ground and their occupants killed.

German airplanes in a raid yesterday bombed a collection of German prisoners in an intern camp, and French planes raided and did considerable damage to railroad lines and munitions storage depots in Belgium.

Three strong German attacks on Cerny were repulsed with heavy losses.

BERLIN, Germany, August 21.—The battle at Verdun is not yet ended, according to despatches from the crown prince's headquarters, and a favorable issue is anticipated.

In bitter hand-to-hand fighting, in which the French were aided by their colored troops, the enemy penetrated our positions, but were later ejected by counter attacks. The fighting is most sanguinary.